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Marlene Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S. W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Section 63.71 Application of ATL Communications, Inc.

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Dear Ms. Dortch:

ATL Communications is transmitting herewith an original and six (6) copies of an application for authority to discontinue the provision of domestic telecommunications services to customers in Oregon. Please date-stamp the enclosed extra copy of this filing and return it in the envelope provided. Should you have any questions with respect to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (888) 217-5784.

Respectfully submitted,

**Aelea Christofferson** 

**Enclosures** 

cc: Service List

Rodney McDonald, Competitive Policy division, Wireline Competition Bureau

### Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMI

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Section 63.71 Application of		}
ATL Communications, Inc.		)

#### **SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION**

ATL Communications ("ATL" or "Applicant") hereby seeks authorization pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), 47 U.S.C. § 214, and Section 63.71 of the Commission's Rules 47 C. F. R. § 63.71, to discontinue its provision of domestic telecommunications services to our customers, all located in Oregon.

ATL provides resold services in a limited rural area in Oregon. The services are offered under two dbas, Sunriver Telecom and Central Oregon Telecom. Our small customer base has been primarily residential with about 15% business customers. The company offers service through a combination of resale contracts with the ILEC, a long distance provider, and an Internet Service Provider.

In an effort to concentrate on ATL's primary business as an Independent Responsible

Organization, ATL has decided to discontinue its domestic telecommunications operations. Outside of
the RespOrg Services we will be discontinuing all domestic telecommunications we provide, including
local exchange, interexchange, and internet service. The proposed discontinuance will not result in
harm to the affected customers because the customers have and will have the opportunity to select
another telecommunications carrier for their telecommunications needs, and the CLECs and ILEC(s) in
their area will continue to offer them telephone and Internet service. Customers were initially advised
in February through the 90-day notice required by the Oregon Public Utilities Commission, inserts in
three of ATL's bills, and two articles in the local newspaper. No customer's service has been interrupted
and since the original notification in February, 95% of our total customers including all residential
customers have moved to another provider. ATL continues to provide services and will continue to
provide them until all regulatory requirements have been met.

The Applicant provides the following information pursuant to Section 63.71 of the Commission's Rules:

- Name and Address of the Carrier: ATL Communications, Inc. is located at 56825 Venture Lane, Suite 110, Sunriver, OR 97707.
- 2. <u>Date of Planned Service Discontinuance</u>, <u>Reduction</u>, <u>or Impairment</u>: The Applicant plans to discontinue domestic telecommunications services to the affected customers in Oregon on no later than July 1, 2009, or as soon thereafter as any necessary regulatory approvals are obtained. Applicant understands that this application will be automatically granted on the 31<sup>st</sup> day after public notice of filing unless the Commission notifies the Applicant to the contrary.
- 3. <u>Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected:</u> Applicant proposes to discontinue the provision of domestic telecommunications services to customers in the state of Oregon, the only state we operate in.
- 4. <u>Brief Description of Type of Service Affected:</u> The telecommunications services received by the affected customers include the provision of telephone service and Internet service.
- 5. <u>Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers:</u> On February 10, 2009 ATL provided inserts with billing notifying all affected ATL customers. The original notice informed customers that, due to the closure of the this portion of the business, ATL would no longer be able to provide telephone and Internet service to customers of May 10, 2009 for residential customer and June 10, 2009 for business customers. A telephone number for customers to call to discontinue or move their service was provided. Notifications were also made public through the required abandonment filing with the Oregon Public Utilities Commission and through the local paper. On (date to be entered), Applicant provided additional written customer notice by first-class mail in accordance with the requirement of Section 63.71 (a) of the Commission's Rules, informing its customer of specific FCC requirements and providing the revised July 1, 2009 disconnect date. Sample copies of notices are appended hereto as Exhibit A and B.

6. Whether the Carrier is Considered Dominont or Non-dominant with respect to the

Service to be Discontinued, Reduced or Impaired: Applicant is considered non-dominant with respect to the affected services.

In accordance with Section 63.71 of the Commission's Rules, a copy of this Application is being mailed to the Governor and public services commission of the state of Oregon, concurrently with the filing of this application.

Additional questions regarding this application may be addressed to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

**ATL Communications** 

Aelea Christofferson

President

ATL Communications, Inc.

56825 Venture Lane

Suite 110

Sunriver, OR 97707

(888) 217-5784

Dated: May 22, 2009

# EXHIBIT A



### URGENT MESSAGE REGARDING YOUR SUNRIVER TELECOM SERVICE

In February 2009 we informed you Sunriver Telecom (ATL Communications) will no longer offer telephone service effective June 10, 2009. This date has been extended until August 22, 2009 in order to ensure that all regulatory approval has been obtained. This closure affects all locations and services in Oregon.

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, D. C. 20554 and include in your comments a reference to the §63.71 Application of ATL Communications. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

Due to regulatory issues we are forced to make a change to our original plan for closing Sunriver Telecom. I apologize for the convenience. Rio Communications will not be able to move your telecommunications services automatically on June 10, 2009.

Some of the choices of telephone providers are listed starting on page 35 of your DEX directory. You will need to directly contact the provider you select. You must select a new provider and that provider's order must be complete by August 22, 2009 or you will be disconnected.

We will be here to answer your questions on 541-593-2900.

Sincerely,

ATL Communications

56825 Venture Lane Sunriver, OR 97707

## EXHIBIT B



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE CLOSURE OF CENTRAL OREGON TELECOM

In February 2009 we informed you Central Oregon Telecom (ATL Communications) will no longer offer telephone service effective June 10, 2009. This date has been extended until August 22, 2009 in order to ensure that all regulatory approval has been obtained. This closure affects all locations and services in Oregon.

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, D. C. 20554 and include in your comments a reference to the §63.71 Application of ATL Communications. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

Due to regulatory issues we are forced to make a change to our original plan for closing Central Oregon Telecom. I apologize for the convenience. Rio Communications will not be able to move your telecommunications services automatically on June 10, 2009.

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We will be here to answer your questions on 541-593-2900.

Sincerely,

**ATL Communications** 

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that the foregoing Section 63.71 Applications was served on (to be entered) by mailing true and correct copies thereof, postage prepaid, to the following persons at the addresses listed below.

Secretary of Defense ATTN: Special Assistant for Telecommunications Pentagon Washington, DC 20301

The Honorable Ted Kulongoski Governor of Oregon 900 Court Street Salem, OR 977301-4047

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